

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

PALMETTO STATE E-CADEMY
SC Public Charter School
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 428**
Principal: Dr. Barbara Stoops
Superintendent: Dr. Wayne Brazell
Board Chair: Don McLaurin

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	At-Risk	N/A	TBD	TBD	Not Met	CSI
2010	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI
2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
11	10	17	1	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	63.3%	68.8%	N/A	77.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	23.3%	19.8%	N/A	12.8%
Passed no subtests (%)	13.3%	11.5%	N/A	9.5%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	75.4%	91.4%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	293	292
Number of Diplomas	55	211
Rate (%)	18.8%	72.6%

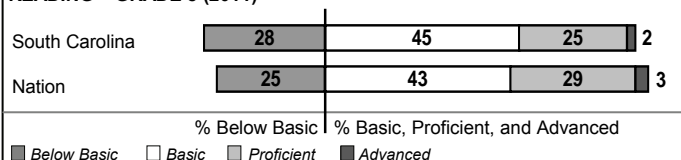
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	39.5	76.5
English 1	64.2	65.9
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	50.0	68.3
Physical Science	43.2	56.6
US History and the Constitution	25.8	47.9
All Tests	42.0	62.7

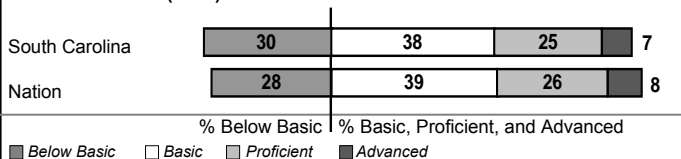
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

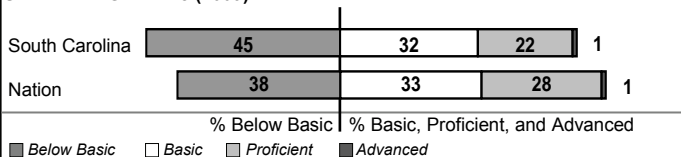
READING - GRADE 8 (2011)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2011)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=428)				
Retention rate	11.7%	Up from 4.5%	4.0%	3.4%
Attendance rate	85.9%	Up from 68.3%	94.6%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	0.0%	No Change	16.1%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	7.3%	Down from 12.2%	11.1%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	23.5%	Down from 29.6%	7.2%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.8%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	2.2%	Down from 4.9%	13.9%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	50.9%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	7.9%	N/R	31.1%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	10.3%	Up from 6.6%	3.0%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	2.0%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1	Down from 136	474	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	N/A	N/A	81.7%	83.0%
Teachers (n=15)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	86.7%	Up from 70.6%	61.6%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	86.7%	Up from 29.4%	85.6%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	87.7%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	96.5%	Up from 94.7%	95.6%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$42,500	Down 1.8%	\$47,128	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	10.5%	Down from 12.1%	1.5%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	9.5 days	No Change	10.9 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 1.4	3.8	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	N/R	N/R	29.2 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	81.6%	N/R	89.2%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,728	Up 99.4%	\$7,285	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	39.0%	Down from 41.7%	56.8%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	57.0%	Down from 59.0%	59.7%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Poor	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.9%	Up from 58.1%	97.2%	97.3%
Character development program	Good	Up from At-Risk	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	66.7%	Up from 0.0%	66.0%	65.2%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Palmetto State E-cademy is a public virtual charter school, founded three years ago to serve students in grades 9-12 across the state.

Our school family is constantly seeking meaningful opportunities to improve the world class education we provide. Students are able to tailor their education to their schedule, ability, and pace of learning. Our curriculum is rigorous and includes both traditional courses as well as Advanced Placement courses.

Students are grouped in homerooms based on their location in the state. This small group setting provides social support, service opportunities, and academic support. The school offers extracurricular activities as well. Our committed and passionate faculty and staff are in regular contact with our students and their parents. These highly qualified faculty members are content experts, technologically proficient and our core instructors teach fulltime for PSE. Professional development is an on-going priority for our faculty and staff.

PSE graduated 71 students in May 2011. Of the graduates, ten were juniors who accelerated their work in high school. We had ten Life Scholars and 2 Palmetto Fellows among the graduates and there were numerous other scholarships awarded to members of the Class of 2011.

Careful planning for instruction, regular interaction with students and parents, and engaging delivery of instruction have been critical factors in PSE achieving six of the nine objectives for AYP for this school year.

Dr. Tammie Powell

Principal Curriculum and Instruction

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	0	0	0
Percent satisfied with learning environment	N/R	N/R	N/R
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	N/R	N/R	N/R
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	N/R	N/R	N/R

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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